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Dear Charley:

STATOTHR
STATOTHR From the discussion at [REDACTED] it appears that [REDACTED]
STATOTHR [REDACTED] may have been under the misapprehension that the [REDACTED]
STATOTHR printer had the same principle as the turn around printer. This may
STATOTHR have been why [REDACTED] refused to sponsor the development.

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STATOTHR Quoting from a letter of 16 February 1961 to Gene:

STATOTHR "In line with our conferences on February 9 and 10,
STATOTHR I submit the following tentative cost estimates and schedules
STATOTHR for equipment needed in connection with the [REDACTED]
STATOTHR program.

STATOTHR "One prototype three (approximately) times continuous
STATOTHR enlarging printer of the [REDACTED] We are sug-
STATOTHR gesting that one of these be fabricated simultaneously with
STATOTHR A above as a backup. The term "backup" is used advisedly since,
STATOTHR while it may not give the Community exactly what it wants, it
STATOTHR will provide an acceptable product in usable form - approxi-
STATOTHR mately [REDACTED] or slightly better than the
STATOTHR average of the present [REDACTED] photography. In our opinion it
STATOTHR doesn't require any "giant steps" in development but is more
STATOTHR a matter of careful design and painstaking manufacture.
STATOTHR Again we feel that the principle will be of value for the
STATOTHR exploitation of future systems."

STATOTHR At that time we estimated the cost of the prototype of
STATOTHR this [REDACTED] printer at [REDACTED] Since we
STATOTHR have done no further work, we are not in a position to change this
STATOTHR estimate. Delivery would take 10 to 14 months.

STATOTHR I enclose a Verifax of the pertinent parts of the
STATOTHR specification.

STATOTHR We are also working on an estimate of a simplification
STATOTHR of the two roll stereo viewer we submitted in February. This or
STATOTHR similar equipment will be needed for our [REDACTED]
STATOTHR program.

STATOTHR I would appreciate knowing as soon as possible whether
STATOTHR you have any interest in the [REDACTED] printer.

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cc: A.B.S.
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